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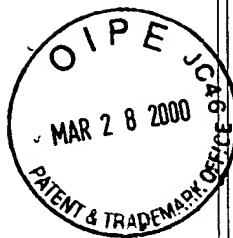
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

LALEH SHAYESTEH et al.

Application No.: 08/905,508

Filed: August 4, 1997

For: GENETIC ALTERATIONS
ASSOCIATED WITH CANCER

Art Unit:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced application, please enter the following amendments and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-22 and add new claims 36-40 as follows.

- Sub C17
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36. A method of inhibiting the pathological proliferation of ovarian cancer cells in a patient, the method comprising inhibiting PI kinase activity in the cells.
37. The method of claim 36, wherein the PIK3CA activity is inhibited by administering a therapeutically effective dose of an inhibitor of PI kinase to the patient.